

For: Community Calendars and extra media attention
Re: Abbott Marshlands –World Rivers Day and October
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I'd like to call to your attention, in particular, activities scheduled for Sept. 27th that are part of World Rivers Day. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you!

World Rivers Day alert.

A celebration of the rivers, part of the international World Rivers Day, will take place on September 27th. Plans are being made across Canada, from British Columbia, where rivers day originated, to Nova Scotia, from Europe, Russia, Australia, to Bangladesh, India, and Africa. Everywhere the goals are to highlight the values of rivers and increase public awareness, while encouraging improved stewardship. Rivers in every country face an array of threats. Rivers in every country face an array of threats; only with active involvement of citizens can the health of rivers be assured for the future. Locally, featured programs will include a paddling excursion along Crosswicks Creek, a tributary of the Delaware River. The trip theme will be: *Abbott Marshlands – past, present, and future: values and stewardship*. In addition for paddlers and non-paddlers alike, the celebration will continue at the Tulpehaking Nature Center where there will be relevant games and crafts from 1-4 pm. Tulpehaking Nature Center (157 Westcott St. in Hamilton).

Specifics:

Sept 27 (Sun): Paddle and Walk the Abbott Marshlands on World Rivers Day (Burlington/Mercer Cos). 12:00 p.m. Mary Leck and Charlie Fisher will be guides on the creek, with more activities at Mercer County's Tulpehaking Nature Center to celebrate the Abbott Marshlands and our local waterways. Bring lunch and beverage; we'll have lunch at Bordentown Beach before starting our 4-mile paddle through the Abbott Marshlands to Roebling Park. Rentals are not available. Contact leaders to confirm trip and participation. George & Leona F, 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com. Co-sponsors are the Friends for the Abbott Marshlands, Bordentown City Environmental Commission, and D&R Greenway Land Trust.

Sept. 27 (Sun.). 1-4pm. World Rivers Day at the Tulpehaking Nature Center. FREE. Join us in this global celebration of the world's waterways (and our very own Delaware River) with games and crafts at the nature center. For information: 609-303-0706. The center is located at 157 Westcott Ave. in Hamilton, NJ.